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Relief, comfort and improvement and health to personal enjoyment when, night and day, the many who live better than others and enjoy life more, with less expenditure, by more promptly applying the world's best products to the needs of physical being, will attest the value to health of the pure liquid laxative principles embraced in the remedy, **Syrup of Figs**.

It is due to its presenting in the form most acceptable and pleasant to the taste, the refreshing and truly beneficial properties of a perfect laxative, effectually cleansing the system, dispelling colds, headaches and fevers, and permanently curing constipation. It has given satisfaction to millions and with the approval of the medical profession, because it acts on the kidneys, liver and bowels without weakening them and it is perfectly free from every objectionable substance.

Syrup of Figs is for sale by all druggists in 50c and \$1 bottles, but it is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co., whose name is printed on every package, also the name, **Syrup of Figs**, and being well informed, you will not accept any substitute if offered.

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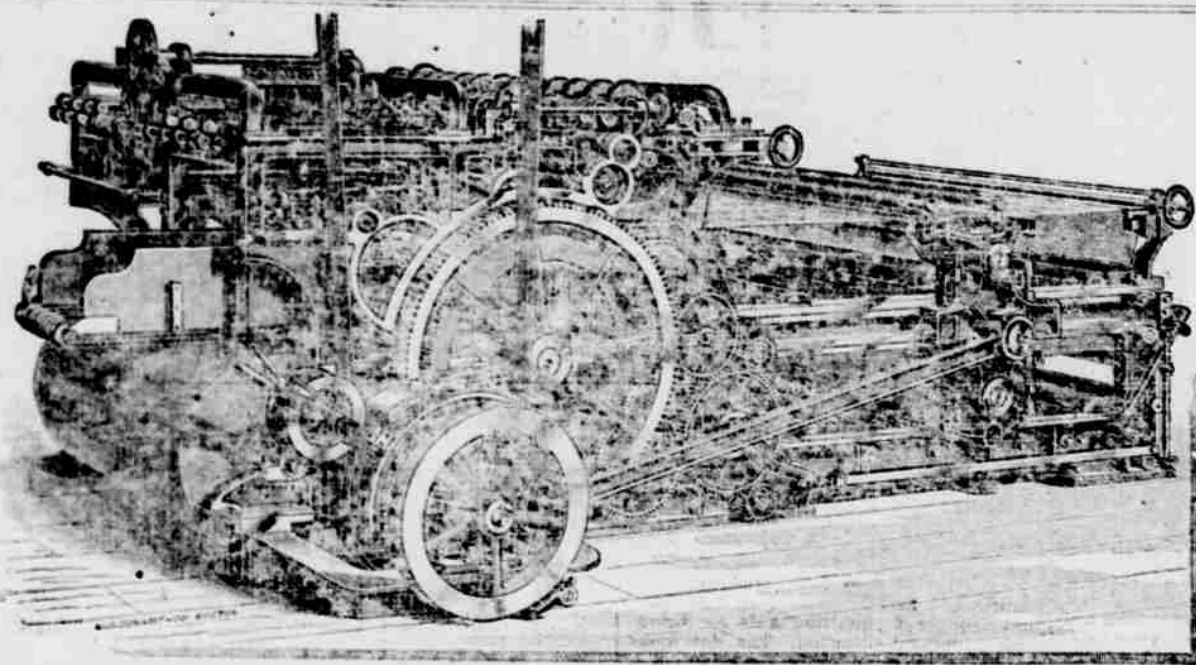
A PERFECT PRESS.

That is What The Argus Possesses.

THE COX MACHINE NOW IN USE.

The People's Popular Paper Makes Its First Appearance Under Increased Advantages—Brief Description of the Press and What It Is Capable of Accomplishing—Acts Like a Human Being.

THE ARGUS sends forth its first issue today from a new Cox Perfecting Press and Folding Machine. This piece of machinery, which was purchased a few weeks ago from the Cox Duplex Perfecting Press company of Battle Creek, Mich., has just been put up by one of the company's representatives, and in celebration of its first use, THE ARGUS sends out a double edition greeting to its many readers today. THE ARGUS feels that its pride in its new press is pardonable, not only because it is as fine a piece of machinery as ever graced a printing establishment, but furthermore, because the advantages it contributes will be shared by its friends and patrons, who also, to be sure, will appreciate its good qualities quite as much as the publisher. To



The Argus New Perfecting Press.

insure the best possible results in the way of press work, and a paper in mechanical neatness in keeping with the tone and character it is sought to attain in the nature of the paper, this press was purchased at a cost of \$6,500. A new press room for its special accommodation was built in the rear of THE ARGUS building, the press has been erected therein, and the results are before you.

Inducements to the Improvement.

This extensive improvement was made by THE ARGUS in recognition of the increasing requirements of its patrons, as shown by its growth in circulation and the demand for advertising space. The press thus provided is unquestionably the best in this locality. There is not a machine in the tri-city that approaches it. As an evidence of the degree of perfection attained in its construction, it may be said there are 2,200 pieces of metal in the handsome machine, and it requires the best of care. When it is at work it resembles 11,000 streaks of greased lightning out for an airing. The press weighs 25,000 pounds, and is set on a foundation of solid masonry imbedded four feet in the ground, and running six feet upwards to the press room.

The inventor of this press is Joseph L. Cox, of Battle Creek, Mich., a gentleman who has been forging to front at a rapid pace of late years as a discoverer of wonderful improvements in printing machinery. It was built at the company's works in that city.

The press and its accomplishments. The new Cox Duplex web perfecting printing press is simple, strong, durable and thoroughly practical machine, capable of printing and folding from a roll on flat beds, with ordinary type 4,000 papers per hour. While simple in one way the accuracy of its construction is marvelous. The power is applied from the main driving wheel to the impression without a gear—in short, with less intervening mechanism than any other flat bed press. Two impression cylinders, located one directly over the other, and journaled into one another, are stationary bodies making two impressions with each alternate movement, or printing two complete papers with each revolution of the large driving wheel. As the only reciprocating parts of the press are the cylinders, and as they are driven by crank motion, no air buffers or springs of any kind are required. The form rollers are carried with the cylinders, and pass over the form twice for each impression. They take ink at each end of the press. The folder occupies the space between the main wheels and above the shafts which carry them, and the folded papers are delivered

in a packing box directly over the roll of paper at the end of the press.

The machine is a rotary one throughout, except that the cylinders are reciprocated, and the paper dwells during the impression in that part of the web only which lies horizontal, and that which extends over the right hand end of the press, as seen in the cut. The web elsewhere is constantly moving at a uniform rate. It is fed from the roll of paper by calendars having a constant and uniform motion, and is fed after being printed, through a rotary cutter into the folder in the same way. One remarkable feature of this press is the fact that it prints either four, six or eight pages, and pastes them if desired, without requiring adjustments in either press or folder. The pages may be either six or seven columns.

How it Operates.

The power is supplied by electricity, which has been the motive power of THE ARGUS for some years. The press in action is like a living, speaking tribute to man's genius and skill. It is almost human-like in its movements. As the parts of machinery move, the roll of paper begins to turn slowly, surely, unrolling yard after yard of the endless web. But keep your eye on the paper! Up and

TOLD OF THE TRACK.

The Resignation of General Agent Hannegan of B. C. R. & N.

The resignation of J. E. Hannegan as general passenger agent of the Burlington, Cedar Rapids & Northern railroad is not a great surprise to railroad men, among whom there have been rumors of something of this kind for some time, but it is to the patrons of the road. Mr. Hannegan has been general passenger agent of this road for a long term of years for one so young, being for a great part of that period the most youthful general passenger agent in this country. Notwithstanding his tenderness of years, he has done a great deal to make the road popular with the traveling public.

The Brooklyn Wreck.

The wreck on the Rock Island at Brooklyn Wednesday morning, did not prove to be as serious as was at first reported. It was just 5:30 o'clock in the morning when a freight train pulled by engine 353, in charge of Engineer Jerry Cunningham, was pulling out of the yards when the engine and three cars were derailed, the engine rolling over on its side. Engineer Cunningham was thrown from the engine with terrific force, and his right arm was badly injured and his body bruised some. The cause of the wreck was the spread-

THE SOCIAL SIDE.

The Oakdale Club's Subscription Masquerade.

The Oakdale club gave its first subscription masquerade at Carse's hall last evening, and it proved a success not only socially, but financially, as well. About forty couple were present from the tri-cities, and many varied were the costumes. Among the most notable ones may be mentioned: German, J. C. Kinney; Farmer, Andy Hohman; Japanese, Julius Stroehler; Lord Fauntleroy, Roy Williams; Columbia, Mrs. Roy Williams; National Daughter, Mrs. A. M. McNeal; Little Red Riding Hood, Mrs. Mark Lloyd; School-girl, Miss Maggie Gaejter.

The next dance to be given by the club will be Friday evening, Dec. 29, and will be as the club's New Year's eve event.

The "30" Club.

The dancing party given by the "Thirty" dancing club at K. P. hall Thursday evening was one of the social successes of this year. The club was entertained by some excellent instrumental and vocal music by the Misses Woltmann, Mrs. Charles McHugh and others. The most enjoyable, and probably the most unique, feature of the evening, was the supper. Schillinger's orchestra furnished the music, and a most pleasant evening was spent.

OBITUARY.

Arrangements for the Funeral of Dr. E. F. Bowman.

The late Dr. E. F. Bowman, of Andalusia, will be buried with the honors of the Grand Army of the Republic tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock, with ritualistic services and an address by Hon. W. H. Gest at Grand Army hall. To these services friends of the family are invited. Brief funeral services were conducted by Rev. T. R. Johnston of Edgington, at Oakland, the family home, near Andalusia, this afternoon at 1 o'clock. The remains were then brought to Rock Island and turned over to Buford post, which society was deputized a guard of honor to remain with the body until the time of the funeral, as stated above.

The active pall bearers will be selected from the G. A. R. post, while its physicians will act as honorary pall bearers.

Other obituary announcements. The funeral of the late Alva Banks will be held at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning, with services at the late home on Moline avenue.

Mrs. Mary J. Schnaes, died at her home, 511 First street, today at 12 o'clock, of pneumonia and heart disease. Mrs. Schnaes was born in Rock Island, June 26, 1861, and has always made this city her home. Her maiden name was Mary J. Murkin. She was married to Louis Schnaes in Oct., 1885, and leaves besides her bereaved husband, three little children, two girls and one boy.

SQUARE GROCERY.

A Well Established Grocery and Its General Merchandise.

The Spencer Square grocery, on Twentieth street, is without doubt one of the foremost in the city. First, because it is a well established and well known stand; and second, because of its gentlemanly proprietor and clerks. The stand was formerly that of Charles Hansen, but some time ago was purchased by Mr. Buncher. He, it is a well-known fact, has been catering to the best trade possible, and always has a hand a full line of staple and fancy groceries, and through his untiring efforts his trade has steadily increased until it has attained its present extent. Charles Buncher needs no introduction to the people of Rock Island, as this is his home and has been all his life. His thorough business qualities have gained for him the popularity which he now enjoys. He kindly solicits your trade and guarantees satisfaction.

Business Education.

The Rock Island Business University is the school to attend for a complete and practical course in any of its departments, and is evidenced by the large number who are taking advantage of its facilities. Its instructors rank among the first in the educational field, both in method of instruction and in their liberal education. They are proud of their institution, proud of their students and of the unparalleled success the school has had since its opening. Others have failed, but onward and good work has been their motto, and today Rock Island has no institution of learning that she can be more proud of than her young business university. Now is the time to enroll.

Confessed Judgment.

Robert Bennett confessed judgment last evening at 5 o'clock in the circuit clerk's office in favor of seven creditors, as follows: Anna Bennett, \$262.85; M. Eliza Stoddard, \$131.05; Rock Island National bank, \$71.02; McNevin & Gansert, \$66.53; J. S. Thompson, \$38.46; G. W. Aster & Co., \$47.75; H. E. Wittenberg, Jr., \$70, making a total of \$686.66. Mr. Bennett's stock is valued \$1,200, and if arrangements can be made with the creditors, he will resume business. Sheriff Gordon has taken possession of the stock.

The Weather Forecast.

General snows and warmer; easterly to northerly winds.
E. J. WALZ, Observer.

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50 Extra heavy, good wearing Chinchilla Overcoats worth \$10.00
85 Fine dress Kersey Overcoats, made to sell at,
200 Elegant, all-wool, fine fitting, well made, Kersey, Beaver and Chinchilla Overcoats at \$9.88 and \$10.00. Not an Overcoat in the lot but what is worth \$15.00.

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Men's Peadilly Calf Blucher.
Men's Yale Cap Calf Blucher.
Men's Yale Calf Blucher.
Men's Yale Calf Congress.
Men's Yale Calf Balmoral.

Men's Columbia Calf Congress and Lace.
Women's Russian Calf Hand Turned Cork Sole Blucher.

Women's Cloth Top Turned Cork Sole Blucher. The thing to wear in the winter.
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